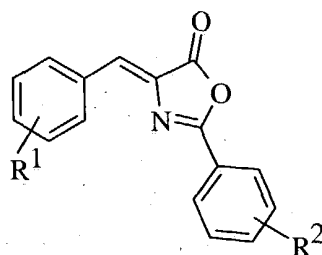


# CLAIMS

What is claimed is :

1. A method of treating Alzheimer's disease, the method comprising administering to a patient having Alzheimer's disease a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of Formula I



wherein

R<sup>1</sup> is hydrogen, lower alkoxy, hydroxy, aryl, heteroaryl, phenoxy, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, carboxy, alkoxycarbonyl, carbamoyl, sulfamoyl, nitro, trifluoromethyl, amino, mono- or dialkylamino, or lower alkyl or lower alkenyl unsubstituted or substituted with one, two, or three groups independently selected from oxo, halogen, hydroxy, carboxy, carbamoyl, amino, mono- or dialkylamino, or aryl or heteroaryl optionally substituted independently with up to three groups selected from halogen, lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, hydroxy, carboxy, alkoxycarbonyl, cyano, nitro, trifluoromethyl, amino, mono- or dialkylamino, carbamoyl, carboxyalkyl, alkoxycarbonylalkyl, sulfamoyl, or carbonylamino;

R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen, lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, halogen, hydroxy, aryl, heteroaryl, arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl, arylalkoxy, heteroarylalkoxy, cyano, carboxy, alkoxycarbonyl, carbamoyl, sulfamoyl, nitro, trifluoromethyl, amino, or mono- or dialkylamino.

2. A method according to Claim 1, wherein R<sup>1</sup> is hydrogen, halogen, alkoxy, or heteroaryl; and R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen or alkoxy.

3. A method according to Claim 1, wherein the compound is selected from:

4-Benzylidene-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;

4-(4-Nitro-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;

2-Acetoxy-5-(5-oxo-2-phenyl-oxazol-4-ylidenemethyl)-benzoic

5 acid;

4-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethylene-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;

4-(2-Methoxy-3,5-dinitro-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;

2-Chloro-N,N-dimethyl-5-[1-(5-oxo-2-phenyl-oxazol-4-ylidene)-ethyl]-benzenesulfonamide;

10 4-Biphenyl-4-ylmethylene-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;

4-(3-Ethoxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;

4-(3,5-Dibromo-2-hydroxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;

4-(4-Ethoxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;

15 4-(2,6-Dichloro-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;

2,2-Dimethyl-5-[4-(5-oxo-2-phenyl-oxazol-4-ylidenemethyl)-phenoxy]-pentanoic acid;

4-(2-Chloro-cyclohex-1-enylmethylene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;

20 2-Phenyl-4-pyridin-3-ylmethylene-4H-oxazol-5-one;

4-(4-Hydroxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;

4-(3,4-Dimethoxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;

4-Benzylidene-2-(4-nitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;

N-[4-(4-Benzylidene-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl)-phenyl]-

25 acetamide;

4-Benzylidene-2-(4-chloro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;

4-Benzylidene-2-p-tolyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;

4-Benzylidene-2-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;

4-Benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-ylmethylene-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;

30 2-(4-Chloro-3-nitro-phenyl)-4-(4-diethylamino-benzylidene)-4H-oxazol-5-one;

4-(4-Dimethylamino-naphthalen-1-ylmethylene)-2-phenyl-4H-

oxazol-5-one;

- 4-(3,5-Dichloro-2-hydroxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-(2,3-Dihydroxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-(4-Phenoxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 5 4-(4-Dimethylamino-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-(4-Dimethylamino-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-Naphthalen-1-ylmethylene-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-Naphthalen-2-ylmethylene-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-(4-Dipropylamino-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 10 4-(4-Diethylamino-benzylidene)-2-p-tolyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-(4-Diethylamino-benzylidene)-2-(3,5-dinitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-(2,4-Dichloro-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 2-(4-Chloro-3-nitro-phenyl)-4-pyridin-4-ylmethylene-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 15 one;
- 2-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-4-pyridin-2-ylmethylene-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-(2-Hydroxy-5-nitro-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 2-(4-Chloro-3-nitro-phenyl)-4-(4-fluoro-benzylidene)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 20 4-(4-Dimethylamino-benzylidene)-2-(3-nitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- one;
- 4-(4-Chloro-benzylidene)-2-(3-nitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-(4-Methoxy-benzylidene)-2-(3-nitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-(4-Diethylamino-benzylidene)-2-(3-nitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 25 one;
- 4-(4-Methyl-benzylidene)-2-(3-nitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 2-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-4-(4-diethylamino-benzylidene)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- one;
- 2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-4-(4-diethylamino-benzylidene)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 30 one;
- 2-(3-Nitro-phenyl)-4-pyridin-4-ylmethylene-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-(2,3-Dimethoxy-benzylidene)-2-(2-iodo-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- one;

- 4-(2-Methoxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(3-Methoxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(4-Methoxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(2,3-Dimethoxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
5 4-(3,4-Dimethoxy-benzylidene)-2-(2-hydroxy-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(2,3-Dimethoxy-benzylidene)-2-(4-nitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(3,4-Dimethoxy-benzylidene)-2-(2-iodo-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
10 4-(3,4-Dimethoxy-benzylidene)-2-(4-nitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(2-Hydroxy-naphthalen-1-ylmethylene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
15 4-(4-Nitro-naphthalen-1-ylmethylene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
2-(4-Amino-phenyl)-4-(3,4-dimethoxy-benzylidene)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
2-Phenyl-4-(2,3,4-trihydroxy-benzylidene)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(4-Dipentylamino-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
20 4-[5-(4-Nitro-phenyl)-furan-2-ylmethylene]-2-p-tolyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(4-Diethylamino-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(3-Chloro-benzylidene)-2-(4-fluoro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(3,4-Dichloro-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
25 4-(3,4-Dimethyl-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(4-Fluoro-3-trifluoromethyl-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(3,4-Dichloro-benzylidene)-2-(4-nitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
2-Phenyl-4-(2-piperidin-1-yl-cyclohex-1-enylmethylene)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
30 4-(2,4-Dimethyl-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(2-Ethoxy-5-methoxymethyl-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;

- 4-(2-Nitro-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(3-Nitro-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(3,4-Dimethoxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(3-Methyl-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
5 2-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-4-(1H-indol-3-ylmethylene)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-[4-(3,4-Dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-benzoic acid;  
3-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-5-oxo-oxazol-4-ylidenemethyl]-benzoic acid;  
10 (4-Carboxy-phenyl)-{4-[4-(3,4-dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-phenyl}-ammonium;  
2-[4-(3,4-Dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-benzoic acid;  
15 2-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-5-oxo-oxazol-4-ylidenemethyl]-benzoic acid;  
(2-Carboxy-phenyl)-{4-[4-(3,4-dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-phenyl}-ammonium;  
3-[4-(3,4-Dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-benzoic acid;  
20 (3-Carboxy-phenyl)-{4-[4-(3,4-dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-phenyl}-ammonium;  
4-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-5-oxo-oxazol-4-ylidenemethyl]-benzoic acid; and  
25 4-(4-Chloro-3-trifluoromethyl-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one.  
4-(4-Bromo-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
2-[2-(2-Bromo-phenyl)-5-oxo-oxazol-4-ylidenemethyl]-benzoic acid methyl ester;  
30 4-[4-(3,4-Dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-benzoic acid;  
3-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-5-oxo-oxazol-4-ylidenemethyl]-benzoic acid;

(4-Carboxy-phenyl)-{4-[4-(3,4-dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-phenyl}-ammonium;

2-[4-(3,4-Dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-benzoic acid;

5                    2-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-5-oxo-oxazol-4-ylidenemethyl]-benzoic acid;

(2-Carboxy-phenyl)-{4-[4-(3,4-dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-phenyl}-ammonium;

10                   3-[4-(3,4-Dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-benzoic acid;

(3-Carboxy-phenyl)-{4-[4-(3,4-dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-phenyl}-ammonium;

4-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-5-oxo-oxazol-4-ylidenemethyl]-benzoic acid; and

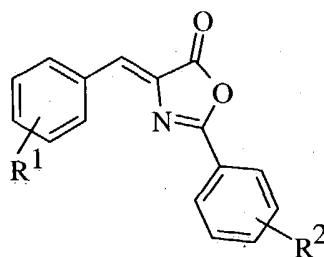
15                   4-(4-Chloro-3-trifluoromethyl-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one.

4.                   A method of inhibiting the aggregation of amyloid proteins to form amyloid deposits, the method comprising administering to a patient in need of inhibition of the aggregation of amyloid protein an amyloid protein aggregation inhibiting amount of a compound of Claim 1.

5.                   A method of imaging amyloid deposits, the method comprising:  
a.                   introducing into a patient a detectable quantity of a labeled compound according to Claim 1;  
b.                   allowing sufficient time for the labeled compound to become associated with amyloid deposits; and  
c.                   detecting the labeled compound associated with the amyloid deposits.

6.                   The method of Claim 5, wherein the patient has or is suspected to have Alzheimer's disease.

7. The method of Claim 5, wherein the labeled compound is a radio labeled compound.
8. The method of Claim 5, wherein the labeled compound is detected using MRI.
- 5 9. A compound of Formula I



I

wherein

R<sup>1</sup> is hydrogen, lower alkoxy, hydroxy, aryl, heteroaryl, phenoxy, halogen, hydroxy, cyano, carboxy, alkoxycarbonyl, carbamoyl, sulfamoyl, nitro, trifluoromethyl, amino, mono- or dialkylamino, or lower alkyl or lower alkenyl unsubstituted or substituted with one, two, or three groups independently selected from oxo, halogen, hydroxy, carboxy, carbamoyl, amino, mono- or dialkylamino, or aryl or heteroaryl optionally substituted independently with up to three groups selected from halogen, lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, hydroxy, carboxy, alkoxycarbonyl, cyano, nitro, trifluoromethyl, amino, mono- or dialkylamino, carbamoyl, carboxyalkyl, alkoxycarbonylalkyl, sulfamoyl, or carbonylamino;

R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen, lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, halogen, hydroxy, aryl, heteroaryl, arylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl, arylalkoxy, heteroarylalkoxy, cyano, carboxy, alkoxycarbonyl, carbamoyl, sulfamoyl, nitro, trifluoromethyl, amino, or mono- or dialkylamino, or the pharmaceutically acceptable salts, esters, amides and prodrugs thereof.

10. A compound according to Claim 1, wherein R<sup>1</sup> is hydrogen, halogen, alkoxy, or heteroaryl; and  
R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen or alkoxy.

11. A compound according to Claim 1, wherein the compound is selected  
5 from:

4-Benzylidene-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(4-Nitro-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
2-Acetoxy-5-(5-oxo-2-phenyl-oxazol-4-ylidenemethyl)-benzoic  
acid;

10 4-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethylene-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(2-Methoxy-3,5-dinitro-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
2-Chloro-N,N-dimethyl-5-[1-(5-oxo-2-phenyl-oxazol-4-ylidene)-  
ethyl]-benzenesulfonamide;

15 4-Biphenyl-4-ylmethylene-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(3-Ethoxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(3,5-Dibromo-2-hydroxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-  
one;

4-(4-Ethoxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(2,6-Dichloro-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
20 2,2-Dimethyl-5-[4-(5-oxo-2-phenyl-oxazol-4-ylidenemethyl)-  
phenoxy]-pentanoic acid;  
4-(2-Chloro-cyclohex-1-enylmethylene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-  
one;

2-Phenyl-4-pyridin-3-ylmethylene-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
25 4-(4-Hydroxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(3,4-Dimethoxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-Benzylidene-2-(4-nitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
N-[4-(4-Benzylidene-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl)-phenyl]-  
acetamide;

30 4-Benzylidene-2-(4-chloro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-Benzylidene-2-p-tolyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;



- 4-Benzylidene-2-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-Benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-ylmethylene-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
2-(4-Chloro-3-nitro-phenyl)-4-(4-diethylamino-benzylidene)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
5 4-(4-Dimethylamino-naphthalen-1-ylmethylene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(3,5-Dichloro-2-hydroxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
10 4-(2,3-Dihydroxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(4-Phenoxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(4-Dimethylamino-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(4-Dimethylamino-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-Naphthalen-1-ylmethylene-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-Naphthalen-2-ylmethylene-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
15 4-(4-Dipropylamino-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(4-Diethylamino-benzylidene)-2-p-tolyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(4-Diethylamino-benzylidene)-2-(3,5-dinitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(2,4-Dichloro-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
20 2-(4-Chloro-3-nitro-phenyl)-4-pyridin-4-ylmethylene-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
2-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-4-pyridin-2-ylmethylene-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(2-Hydroxy-5-nitro-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
2-(4-Chloro-3-nitro-phenyl)-4-(4-fluoro-benzylidene)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
25 4-(4-Dimethylamino-benzylidene)-2-(3-nitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(4-Chloro-benzylidene)-2-(3-nitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(4-Methoxy-benzylidene)-2-(3-nitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
30 4-(4-Diethylamino-benzylidene)-2-(3-nitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(4-Methyl-benzylidene)-2-(3-nitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;

- 2-(4-Bromo-phenyl)-4-(4-diethylamino-benzylidene)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 2-(2-Chloro-phenyl)-4-(4-diethylamino-benzylidene)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 5 2-(3-Nitro-phenyl)-4-pyridin-4-ylmethylene-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(2,3-Dimethoxy-benzylidene)-2-(2-iodo-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 10 4-(2-Methoxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(3-Methoxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(4-Methoxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(2,3-Dimethoxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(3,4-Dimethoxy-benzylidene)-2-(2-hydroxy-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 15 4-(2,3-Dimethoxy-benzylidene)-2-(4-nitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(3,4-Dimethoxy-benzylidene)-2-(2-iodo-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 20 4-(3,4-Dimethoxy-benzylidene)-2-(4-nitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(2-Hydroxy-naphthalen-1-ylmethylene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(4-Nitro-naphthalen-1-ylmethylene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
2-(4-Amino-phenyl)-4-(3,4-dimethoxy-benzylidene)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 25 2-Phenyl-4-(2,3,4-trihydroxy-benzylidene)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(4-Dipentylamino-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-[5-(4-Nitro-phenyl)-furan-2-ylmethylene]-2-p-tolyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 30 4-(4-Diethylamino-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(3-Chloro-benzylidene)-2-(4-fluoro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(3,4-Dichloro-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;  
4-(3,4-Dimethyl-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;

- 4-(4-Fluoro-3-trifluoromethyl-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-(3,4-Dichloro-benzylidene)-2-(4-nitro-phenyl)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 2-Phenyl-4-(2-piperidin-1-yl-cyclohex-1-enylmethylene)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-(2,4-Dimethyl-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-(2-Ethoxy-5-methoxymethyl-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-(2-Nitro-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-(3-Nitro-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-(3,4-Dimethoxy-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-(3-Methyl-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 2-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-4-(1H-indol-3-ylmethylene)-4H-oxazol-5-one;
- 4-[4-(3,4-Dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-benzoic acid;
- 3-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-5-oxo-oxazol-4-ylidenemethyl]-benzoic acid;
- (4-Carboxy-phenyl)-{4-[4-(3,4-dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-phenyl}-ammonium;
- 2-[4-(3,4-Dichloro-benzylidene-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl)]-benzoic acid;
- 2-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-5-oxo-oxazol-4-ylidenemethyl]-benzoic acid;
- (2-Carboxy-phenyl)-{4-[4-(3,4-dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-phenyl}-ammonium;
- 3-[4-(3,4-Dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-benzoic acid;
- (3-Carboxy-phenyl)-{4-[4-(3,4-dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-phenyl}-ammonium;
- 4-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-5-oxo-oxazol-4-ylidenemethyl]-benzoic acid; and

4-(4-Chloro-3-trifluoromethyl-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one.

4-(4-Bromo-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one;

2-[2-(2-Bromo-phenyl)-5-oxo-oxazol-4-ylidenemethyl]-benzoic acid methyl ester;

4-[4-(3,4-Dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-benzoic acid;

3-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-5-oxo-oxazol-4-ylidenemethyl]-benzoic acid;

(4-Carboxy-phenyl)-{4-[4-(3,4-dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-phenyl}-ammonium;

2-[4-(3,4-Dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-benzoic acid;

2-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-5-oxo-oxazol-4-ylidenemethyl]-benzoic acid;

(2-Carboxy-phenyl)-{4-[4-(3,4-dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-phenyl}-ammonium;

3-[4-(3,4-Dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-benzoic acid;

(3-Carboxy-phenyl)-{4-[4-(3,4-dichloro-benzylidene)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-oxazol-2-yl]-phenyl}-ammonium;

4-[2-(3,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-5-oxo-oxazol-4-ylidenemethyl]-benzoic acid; and

4-(4-Chloro-3-trifluoromethyl-benzylidene)-2-phenyl-4H-oxazol-5-one.

12. A composition comprising a compound of Claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.